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> > October 27, 2006

Western Clay Company Brad G. Boyter, President 620 East State Highway 24 Aurora, Utah 84620

Subject: Request for Irrevocable Letter of Credit amendment, Western Clay

Company, Last Chance Bentonite Mine, M/015/061, Emery County, Utah

Dear Mr. Boyter:

Per recent review of the reclamation surety, it has been determined the only named beneficiary is the Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining. Since the permit is on Bureau of Land Management land, they must be identified as cobeneficiary. Please contact Zions Bank requesting an amendment to the Letter of Credit stating the following information:

- Co-beneficiary:
 Bureau of Land Management (BLM)
 UTAH STATE OFFICE
 440 West 200 South Suite 500
 Salt Lake City, Utah 84101
- UTU-69862

If you have any questions regarding this request, please contact Minerals Surety Coordinator, Beth Ericksen, 801-538-5318.

Sincerely,

Susan M. White

Mining Program Coordinator Minerals Regulatory Program

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